

1 October 1958

INNER OFFICE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Minutes of the 50th meeting held on 9 September 1958 at 1000 hours in Room 2422, Barton Hall.

Present:

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[REDACTED] O/SI - Chairman

[REDACTED] RSE/SR/OCR

[REDACTED] O/C

[REDACTED] S/COMM/OCR

[REDACTED] O/CI

[REDACTED] O/SI - Secretary

1. The minutes of the 49th meeting were approved as written.

2. The Chairman discussed NSC Action 1910, dated 15 May 1958, (NSC-169 rescinded) in its effect upon the specific responsibilities of the Agency elements. He concluded that the OSI responsibilities remain essentially unchanged. He informed the committee that although there has been a 50% reduction in manpower in the Telecommunications Branch, ED/SI, for the broadcast evaluation mechanism over that originally contemplated, the staffing is adequate. The members of the committee, upon request of the Chairman, indicated that no special problems concerning NSC Action 1910 exist in regard to their respective areas although basically the responsibilities in these areas also remain the same as under NSC-169.

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3. [REDACTED] read a partial staff study prepared by OSI and OCR concerning OSI and OCR operations under NSC Action 1910. The Chairman requested [REDACTED] to prepare statements in regard to their areas for inclusion in an over-all staff study on this subject. The staff study was in principle concerned with and its final wording was left to the Secretary of IOTAC. The final draft will be redistributed for comments and, if concurred with, will be forwarded to DD/I, DD/P, and D/C for approval.

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4. The Chairman then led a discussion on the specific functions of IOTAC in terms of NSC Action 1910 and in terms of the Agency interests in the broader field of telecommunications. It was agreed that although the mission of IOTAC established by paragraph 4 of the "three way agreement" dated 7 January 1954 under NSC-169 had been carried out successfully, the complimentary and overlapping interests of the member offices of IOTAC in the field of international broadcasting in the general field of telecommunication require continuation of a community body similar in nature to the existing IOTAC. The Committee concluded, therefore, that a recommendation be made to the original founders of IOTAC to continue IOTAC under a revised charter. An earlier draft of such a charter was reviewed, changed, and approved. It will be redrafted and resubmitted to the IOTAC members for concurrence.

5. The meeting adjourned at 1215 hours. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 7 October 1958.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

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AD/co (genl sec)

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